

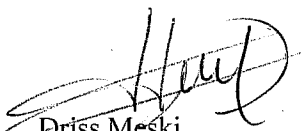
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SUBJECT: Monthly catch reports of Eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean bluefin tuna

In accordance with paragraph 42 of the *Recommendation by ICCAT to Establish a Multi-annual Recovery Plan for Bluefin Tuna in the East Atlantic and Mediterranean* [Rec. 06-05], please find attached a table showing monthly catches and aggregated catch statistics based on the provisional monthly catches of bluefin tuna received for the period January to July 2008.

Yours sincerely,


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Attachments: Summary of E-BFT catches, January-July 2008, as of 10 September 2008

Summary of monthly catch reports of Eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean BFT January-July 2008

BFT by Month (as of Sept, 10 2008)

Fleet	Initial Quota (t)	Month	Catch (t)	% of initial Quota
Croatia	833.08	Jan	0.436	
		Feb	0	
		Mar	13.35	
		Apr	73.725	
		May	555.005	
		Jun	179.215	
		Jul	0	
Total			821.731	98.64
EC.	16210.75	Jan	25.6	
		Feb	16.2	
		Mar	69.7	
		Apr	348.2	
		May	3380.7	
		Jun	5677.7	
		Jul	467.2	
Total			9985.3	61.60
Japan*	2430.54	Jan	198.571	
		Feb	46.728	
		Mar	252.584	
		Apr	208.87	
		May	197.455	
		Jun	0	
Total			904.208	37.20
Korea, Republic of	171.77	May	0	
		Jun	335	
Total			335	195.03
Lybia	1236.74	Unk**	8.19	
		May	348.88	
		June	948.7	
Total			1305.77	105.58
Maroc	2728.56	Jan	1.4425	
		Feb	0.522	
		Mar	2.859	
		Apr	9.785	
		May	1736.007	
		Jun	569.042	
Total			2319.6575	85.01
Tunisie	2254.48	Jan	3.437	
		Feb	43.947	
		Mar	204.101	
		Apr	87.28	
		May	128.621	
		Jun	1949.36	
Total			2416.746	107.20
Turkey	887.19	Jan	0.95	
		Mar	1.085	
		Apr	120	
		May	375.25	
		Jun	381.88	
Total			879.165	99.10
Chinese Taipei	68.71	Jan	0	
		Feb	0	
		Mar	0	
		Apr	0	
		May	0	
		Jun	0	
Total			0	0.00
Algerie	1460.04			
China, P.R.	63.55			
Iceland	51.53			
Libya	1236.74			
Norway	51.33			
Syrian Arab Republic	51.33			
TOTAL CATCH			18967.5775	

Please note: All figures as based on initial quota without taking into account adjustment permitted by the Commission and hence the percentage of adjusted quota may vary. All figures are shown by calendar year.

* Subject to changes since Japanese fishery is managed by fishing year not by calendar year.

** Unknown month: the figure corresponds to dead fish.